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Dear Friends:

I would like to express my deepest thanks to the people of the Second Congressional District for the opportunity to serve a second term representing you in the United States House of Representatives. Similarly to my first term, I continue to travel home to Maine each weekend to hear from the people of Maine's Second Congressional District, which is the largest east of the Mississippi River.

In order to bring the services that my office can provide to the entire District, I have directed my staff to continue with their vigorous outreach program. They will continue to hold office hours in various communities throughout the District on a monthly basis. This year, I have added another aspect to our program in order to make our services more available in the more rural areas of the district. To accomplish this goal, my staff members have begun a calling program, designed to contact people who otherwise might not wish to travel to our offices or people for whom that distance is too far. I take my role as your Representative very seriously, and I want all the citizens of Maine's Second District to have access to me and my staff.

During the next year, I hope you'll share your thoughts and concerns with me on the numerous issues facing our Maine and our nation. If my office may ever be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at my Lewiston) office at 207-782-3704 or by emailing me through my web page at www.house.gov/michaud. You may also use my website to sign up for occasional E-mail updates on the various issues facing Congress.

The same lunch bucket I carried to work for 28 years still sits in my Washington office to remind me to never stop working as hard as the hard working people of Maine. I look forward to hearing from you and am humbled to represent you in Washington.

With warmest regards,

Michael H. Michaud Member of Congress